

Zilker Neighborhood Association
Executive Committee Meeting Notes
Monday, March 7, 2016 -- 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Umlauf Sculpture Garden and Museum - 605 Robert E. Lee Road

The meeting was brought to order at 6:30PM; ended 7:58PM

Executives attended: David King, Bill Neale, Dave Piper, Gardner Sumner, Richard Gravois (arrived late), and Bobby Rigney.

Old Business:

1. Approve minutes.
 - Discussion of draft minutes for January 25, 2016, ZNA general membership meeting and February 1, 2016, ZNA Executive Committee meeting; Motion by Dave Piper to approve with corrections; second by Gardner. Passed 5-0, no abstentions.
2. Membership report.
 - Discussion on waiving membership fees for Shudde Fath and Betsy Fath for their decades-long community service. Motion by Gardner to waive membership fees for Shudde and Betsy, second by Dave Piper; passed 5-0, no abstentions.
 - Discussion on potential honorary membership for a resident who is helping residents setup a neighborhood watch program and cleaning up neighborhood streets.
3. Treasurer report.
 - Z-News reduced to 8 pages for a savings of \$400 in printing costs per issue.

New Business:

1. Update on outreach to new residents in neighborhood.
 - ZNA will host meet & greet events at Lamar Union and Gibson Flats apartments in April to invite residents to join the ZNA and get involved with the neighborhood.
2. Update on grant for Little Zilker Neighborhood Park.
 - The Friends of Little Zilker Park approved the agreement with the Neighborhood Partnering Program that will provide some funding for improvements to Little Zilker Park. Additional funding will come from the Austin Parks Foundation.

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3. Update on CodeNEXT outreach – CodeNEXT Road Show.
 - The ZNA CodeNEXT committee will host a neighborhood meeting on CodeNEXT from 2:00 – 4:30 pm on March 26 at the Twin Oaks Library; Eleanor McKinney will be there as District 5 appointee to the Code Advisory Group.
4. Committee Reports:
 - a. Zoning:
 - o Eberly – 615 South Lamar. A nearby business is concerned about insufficient parking. A late hours alcohol permit has been requested and the restaurant will have a rooftop outdoor deck.
 - o Rezoning - 2303-2311 Thornton Road – The rezoning application was denied at the March 3 Council meeting due to concern that the proposed project was not compatible with surrounding single family neighborhood.
 - b. Parks and Environment:
 - Zilker Kite Festival / MossFest - March 6. The MossFest event was moved from March 5 to March 6 to coincide with the Kite Festival.
 - Update on Parkland Events Task Force. The Task Force is scheduled to meet at 4:00 pm on March 8 at Fiesta Gardens.
 - Update on enforcement of erosion and sedimentation controls. Based on documented and verified widespread violations of erosion control requirements on residential development projects in the neighborhood, the Development Services Department is planning to make changes to the residential review process to stress compliance and increase proactive inspections.
 - Update on enforcement of tree protection regulations: Keith Mars, arborist with the Development Services Department will meet with David King and Gardner on Monday, March 14 to discuss strategies to protect trees during demolition activities.
 - Oak wilt prevention signs have been purchased and installed in the neighborhood for Spring. Additional signs may be needed

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for Fall.

- Update on pocket park/community garden – vacant city owned lot on Collier Street behind fire station. David will meet with Fire Department Commander Thalia on March 10 to get an update on plans for the vacant lot and potential use as a pocket park.

c. Transportation and Mobility:

- Update on ¼ cent funding for mobility projects for Zilker neighborhood. The Council approved funding for a pedestrian crossing beacon on South Lamar at Dickson, traffic calming devices on LaCasa Street, and a sidewalk extension on Melridge Place.
- Bicycle/Sidewalk master plan funding. The City Council Mobility Committee will hold public hearings this Spring on funding strategies for bicycle master plan, sidewalks, trails, streets, highways, and transportation corridors.
- Lane reconfiguration on Barton Hills Drive. A public meeting will be held on March 8 from 6-7 PM at Barton Hills Elementary to get input on a proposed 2-way bike lane on Barton Hills Drive.

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